

Agenda for the G-8 Broader Middle East and North Africa Finance Ministerial

10:30 AM-12 PM, October 1, 2004

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This agenda is based on consultations with regional and G-8 governments.

Opening Remarks

- Secretary of Treasury Snow welcomes participants and reports on the September 24 preparatory meeting for the Forum for the Future
- Regional representative reviews the meeting agenda

Supporting on-going economic reform

- Reviewing recent progress
- Strengthening capacity through technical assistance
- Examining the level and effectiveness of Official Development Assistance

Further integrating regional institutions

- Role of development institutions in the region
- Report on Network of Funds and bilateral, multilateral technical cooperation

Promoting small and medium-sized businesses

- Report on IFC facility Private Enterprise Partnership for the Middle East and North Africa

Increasing integration of the region in the global economy

- Improving the investment climate
- Advancing trade integration
- Examining issues related to workers' remittances
- Addressing security-related risk to investment

Discussion of Next Steps and Closing remarks

- Discussion of the future work of the finance dialogue
- Discussion of the Forum for the Future
- Statement on meeting